GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM AND CULTURE
LOK SABHA

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CBI RAIDS ON ASI OFFICIALS
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Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the CBI has conducted raids at the residence of several officers of the Department of Archaeological Survey of India;

(b) if so, the details of such cases recorded during the last two years till date alongwith the names of the raided officers; and

(c) the action taken, if any, against the Vigilance Officers of ASI who are entrusted with the responsibility to check corruption in the Department for not discharging their duty effectively?

Answer

MINISTER FOR TOURISM & CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN)

(a) & (b) Yes, Sir. In the period under reference, CBI has conducted searches at the residence of following three officers/officials of Archaeological Survey of

(b) India in case number RC. 3(A)/2001-ACU.III/Delhi in connection with alleged irregularities in engaging labour for an archaeological excavation at Rakhigarhi, District Hissar (Haryana):-

1. Sh. Amarendra Nath, Director ASI, New Delhi.

2. Sh. M.P. Jain, Administrative Officer, ASI New Delhi.

3. Sh. Umesh Kumar, Store Keeper, ASI

(c) Until a final report is received from the CBI, no action can be initiated by the Vigilance Officers of the ASI.